

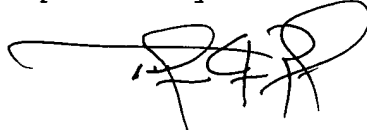
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.312 Applicant submits that this Amendment after Allowance in response to a Notice of a Drawing Inconsistency with Specification dated August 10, 2005. This Amendment lists FIG. 7 in the Brief Description of the Drawings and thus remedies the inconsistency and Applicant requests that this application issue. Additionally, this response comes after the payment of the issue fee but applicant requests under MPEP 714.16(d) III that the Office of Patent Publication waive the requirement of 37 C.F.R. 1.312 and accept this Amendment filed after the payment of the issue fee. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests correction of the specification.

CONCLUSION

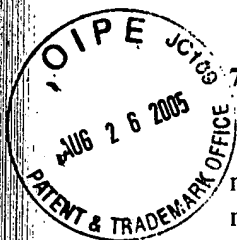
If any issues remain that may be expeditiously addressed in a telephone interview, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 515/558-0200. All fees or extensions of time believed to be due in connection with this response are attached hereto; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account 50-2098.

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MANUAL OF PATENT EXAMINING PROCEDURE

The filling out of the appropriate form by the technical support staff does not signify that the amendment has been admitted; for, though actually entered it is not officially admitted unless and until approved by the supervisory patent examiner.

See MPEP § 607 and § 714.16(c) for additional fee requirements.

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II. < AMENDMENTS WHICH EMBODY MERELY THE CORRECTION OF FORMAL MATTERS IN THE SPECIFICATION, FORMAL CHANGES IN A CLAIM WITHOUT CHANGING THE SCOPE THEREOF, OR THE CANCELLATION OF CLAIMS

The examiner indicates approval of amendments concerning merely formal matters by writing "Enter Formal Matters Only" thereon. Such amendments do not require submission to the supervisory patent examiner prior to entry. See MPEP § 714.16. The Response to Rule 312 Communication form PTO-271 is date stamped and mailed by the TC. If such amendments are disapproved either in whole or in part, they require the signature of the supervisory patent examiner. **>For IFW processing, see IFW Manual.

III. AMENDMENTS REQUIRED BY THE OFFICE OF PATENT PUBLICATION

In preparation of a patent for issuance as a patent grant, if the Office of Patent Publication (PUBS) discovers an error in the text, or drawings of a patent application, including any missing text, or an inconsistency between the drawings and the application papers, PUBS may require an appropriate amendment to the specification or drawings. 37 CFR 1.312, however, does not permit an amendment after the payment of the issue fee without withdrawal of the application from issue. In order to be able to accept such an amendment as may be required without having to withdraw an application from issue, effective February 24, 2004, PUBS has been delegated the authority to waive the requirement of 37 CFR 1.312 and accept an amendment filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Furthermore, these amendments required by 1 may be hand delivered to PUBS located at:

Office of Patent Publication
2231 Crystal Drive, Room 907
Arlington, VA 22202

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714.16(e) Amendments Under 37 1.312, Entry in Part [R-2]

The general rule that an amendment cannot be entered in part and refused in part should not be relaxed, but when, under 37 CFR 1.312, an amendment, for example, is proposed containing a plurality of claims or amendments to claims, some of which may be entered and some not, the acceptable claims or amendments should be entered in the application. If necessary, the claims should be renumbered consecutively with the claims already in the case. Refused claims or amendments should be cancelled with a lead pencil on the amendment. >For Image File Wrapper (IFW) processing, see IFW Manual.<

The examiner should then submit a Response to Rule 312 Communication form PTO-271 recommending the entry of the acceptable portion of the amendment and the nonentry of the remaining portion together with his or her reasons therefor. The portion entered should be indicated by number in the response. Applicant may also be notified by the examiner in form paragraph 7.86.

¶ 7.86 Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.312 Entered in Part

The amendment filed on [1] under 37 CFR 1.312 has been entered-in-part. [2]

Examiner Note:

When an amendment under 37 CFR 1.312 is proposed containing plural changes, some of which may be acceptable and some not, the acceptable changes should be entered. An indication of which changes have and have not been entered with appropriate explanation should follow in bracket 2.

Handling is similar to complete entry of a 37 CFR 1.312 amendment.

Entry in part is not recommended unless the additional fee required, if any, accompanies the amendment. See MPEP § 607 and § 714.16(c).

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